



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Director of Health Services

At its meeting held June 14, 2005, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

The Director of Health Services' recommendation to authorize implementation in Los Angeles County of the Disease Prevention Demonstration Project, created by California SB 1159, which authorizes a licensed pharmacist to sell or furnish 10 or fewer syringes to a person without a prescription, if the pharmacy is registered in this project, in an effort to prevent the spread of blood-borne pathogens, including HIV and Hepatitis C; and instruct the Director to establish a Departmental workgroup, including representatives of pharmacies, law enforcement, community agencies and researchers to advise the Department on implementation.

Dr. Jonathan E. Fielding, Director of Public Health, and Anna Long, Ph.D., Chief of Staff of Public Health, Department of Health Services, Wendy Schwartz, representing the City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinator's Office, and Alessandra Ross, representing the State Department of Health Services, Office of AIDS, addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Burke, duly carried by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisors Burke, Yaroslavsky, and Molina; Noes: Supervisors Knabe and Antonovich, the Board took the following actions:

1. Adopted the Director of Health Services' attached recommendations; and
2. Instructed the Director of Health Services to provide a status report to the Board at the meeting of August 2, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. on the County's needle-exchange program.

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Attachment

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